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COUNTRY East Germany

SECURITY INFORMATION

REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Finsterwalde Airfield

EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1X

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

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DATE PREPARED 4 May 1953

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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SOURCE [REDACTED]

After 9:30 a.m. on 30 March 1953, 45 jet bombers flying in javalin squadrons of nine planes each crossed Finsterwalde airfield. On 31 March, source observed 24 jet bombers parked at the field; the majority of them was marked by a dark-blue or black angle at the rudder assembly. There was heavy day and night flying. On 3 April, source observed 3 tank trucks including [REDACTED] proceeding to the airfield. Trucks [REDACTED] were also observed at the field.

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[REDACTED] Comment. A bomber regiment equipped with an undetermined number of aircraft is believed to be stationed at Finsterwalde airfield. According to previous information it was believed that about 12 Il-28s were available at the installation. However, source of the present report for the first time observed a total of 24 Il-28s. It is believed that aircraft of another regiment were temporarily transferred to Finsterwalde airfield for joint exercises with the local bomber regiment.

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